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In re Patent Application of: Steven B. KANNER, et al.

Application No.: Not Yet Assigned

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For: NUCLEIC ACIDS AND CORRESPONDING PROTEINS ENTITLED 254P1D6B USEFUL IN TREATMENT AND DETECTION OF

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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER MPEP 708.03 XII

MS Patent Application Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

- 1. The present application is under obligation of assignment to Agensys, Inc., a corporation of California entitled to small entity status.
 - 2. The subject of the patent application is a major asset of Agensys, Inc.
- 3. The development of the technology set forth in the application, which is critical to Agensys, Inc. and which is of significance to biotechnology, will be significantly impaired if examination of the patent application is delayed.
 - 4. The petition fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(h) is enclosed.

Explanation (MPEP 708.02, XII, c) of the basis for statement 3:

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The present application relates to a technology which is critical to the development of products needed to attract investment. As there will be no incentive provided by exclusivity to develop this technology on behalf of Agensys, Inc. development will be severely impaired and funding may not be available without assurance that the application will be quickly examined.

Dated: January 23, 2004

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